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Dear City Staff, Planning Commission Members, and City Councilors,

On behalf of Sisters Heating and Air, based in Sisters, Oregon, I am writing to express our support for the proposed text amendments to the Sun Ranch Tourist Commercial (SRTC) zoning district, as put forward by Lake House Inn, LLC for the property located at 69013 Camp Polk Road.

The SRTC zoning district was established nearly two decades ago to foster development that attracts tourists, business travelers, and local residents. The suggested changes, including the introduction of an RV park, are aimed at adapting to the evolving needs of the tourism market while maintaining the original vision of the zone.

Incorporating diverse facilities such as food courts, a tap house or restaurant, and enhanced lodging capabilities will breathe new life into a commercial area that has been underutilized for some time. The inclusion of an RV park as an allowable use at this location deserves your endorsement. A high-quality RV park here will not only align well with neighboring developments but also offer a more budget-friendly accommodation choice for visitors to Sisters. Given our community's strong dependence on the tourism industry, broadening the SRTC zone to attract a diverse tourist demographic is a beneficial strategy that will bolster our local economy.

We kindly urge you to support these amendments, which promise to enhance the appeal and functionality of this pivotal district. Thank you for considering our viewpoint.

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Warm Regards,

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